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C11, C12, and C13, and the enclosed English-language abstract.

Please note that the Appendices C1 through C13 contain information from U.S. Application No. 10/165,326, which was published as U.S. Patent Document No. 20020196782. U.S. Patent Document No. 20020196782 is listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449 (modified), and a copy of U.S. Patent Document No. 20020196782 is enclosed herewith.

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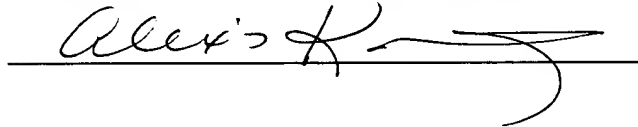
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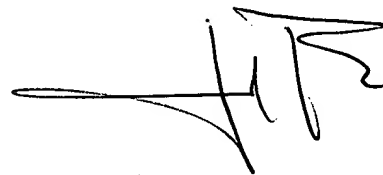
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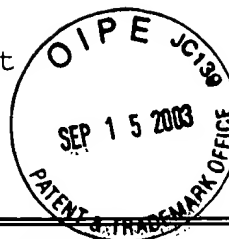
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